



## **ADDENDUM TO A GUIDE FOR PARTY (TOWN AND STATE CENTRAL) COMMITTEES**

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In June 2011, the state legislature passed a number of amendments to the campaign finance laws laid out in Chapter 155 of the General Statutes. The majority of these changes does not become effective until January 1, 2012. Since they are not yet effective and therefore do not impact the 2011 municipal elections, these changes will be incorporated in the 2012 edition of this guide.

Two amendments affecting party committees became effective immediately, which are as follows:

- Town committees are no longer required to file copies of financial disclosure statements with their local town clerk. See General Statutes § 9-603 (a) (as amended by [P.A. 11-48](#)). Thus, they must now only file financial disclosure statements with the State Elections Enforcement Commission.
- Party committees may purchase advertising from a community antenna television company with a bank or cashier's check if the contract with the company so requires and the treasurer maintains documentation substantiating that the funds used to pay for such advertising space were expended from committee funds. See General Statutes § 9-607 (e) (1) (as amended by [P.A. 11-48](#)). Aside from this limited circumstance, committee payments must generally be made by committee check only.